

PATENT

Atty. Docket No. S63.2-6399

DECLARATION

As a below-named inventor, I(we) hereby declare that:

TYPE OF DECLARATION

This declaration is of the following type:

- original
- design
- supplemental
- national stage of PCT
- divisional
- continuation
- continuation-in-part (CIP)

INVENTORSHIP DECLARATION

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (*if only one name is listed below*) or an original, first and joint inventor (*if plural names are listed below*) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

CATHETER SUPPORT FOR STENT DELIVERY

the specification of which:

- a)  is being filed concurrently herewith
- b)  was filed on February 28, 1997 and assigned Serial No. 08/807,791
- c)  was filed as PCT International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_ and amended under PCT Article 19 on \_\_\_\_\_

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56 including information occurring between the filing date of any prior application of which the present application is a continuation-in-part.

In compliance with this duty there is attached an Information Disclosure Statement. 37 CFR 1.97.

**PRIORITY CLAIM**

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119, of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international applications(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international applications(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me having the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

a)  no such applications have been filed.  
b)  such applications have been filed as follows:

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (day, month, year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 37 USC 119
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**CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER U.S./PCT  
APPLICATIONS(S) UNDER 35 U.S.C. §120**

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States applications(s) or PCT international applications(s) designating the United States of America that is/are listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in that/those prior applications(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior applications(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

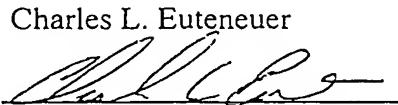
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U.S. APPLICATIONS	
SERIAL NUMBER	U.S. FILING DATE
1. 08/702,150	August 23, 1996
2. 08/697,453	August 23, 1996
PCT APPLICATIONS DESIGNATING THE U.S.	
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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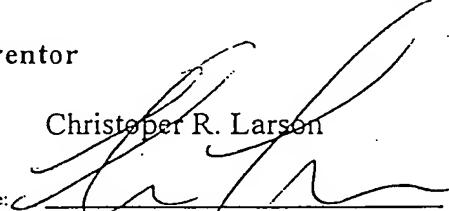
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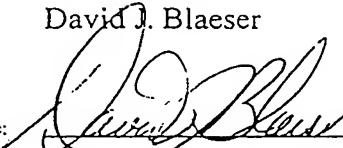
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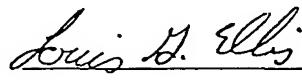
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UTILITY/DESIGN PATENT  
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POWER OF ATTORNEY FROM ASSIGNEE

As assignee of record of the entire interest of the above-identified patent application, SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS, INC., hereby appoints the following attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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**LIMITED AUTHORIZATION TO ACT ON BEHALF OF ASSIGNEE  
REGARDING CERTAIN PATENT MATTERS  
EFFECTIVE THROUGH: December 31, 2003**

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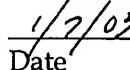
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On this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2003 before me personally appeared Paul W. Sandman to me known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes set forth herein.

  
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